

AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listing, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A system including a software framework for implementing

business processes in a web application, comprising:

a workflow;

a control operable to invoke the workflow; and

a page group operable to invoke the control;

wherein a graphical representation of the control can be put in a graphical canvas to be connected to other controls in a flow of control, the control exposes one or more interfaces to allow access to functionality within the control; and

wherein the system includes at least one processor that executes the software framework.

2. (Currently Amended) The software framework system of claim 1, further comprising:

a message broker operable to enable communication between the control and the workflow.

3. (Currently Amended) The software framework system of claim 1 wherein:

the workflow can invoke another workflow.

4. (Currently Amended) The software framework system of claim 1 wherein:
the page group includes control logic for a graphical user interface.

5. (Currently Amended) The software framework system of claim 1 wherein:
the control exposes functionality through a programmatic interface.

6. (Currently Amended) The software framework system of claim 1 wherein:
the control can communicate with another control.

7. (Currently Amended) The software framework system of claim 1, further comprising:
a web browser; and
wherein the web browser is operable to send a request to the page group.

8. (Currently Amended) The software framework system of claim 1 wherein:
the control is transactional.

9. (Currently Amended) A method for implementing business processes in a portal,
comprising:
providing a workflow;
providing a control operable to invoke the workflow;
providing a page group operable to invoke the control;

wherein a graphical representation of the control can be put in a graphical canvas to be connected to other controls in a flow of control, the control exposes one or more interfaces to allow access to functionality within the control.

10. (Original) The method of claim 9, further comprising:

providing a message broker operable to enable communication between the control and the workflow.

11. (Original) The method of claim 9 wherein:

the workflow can invoke another workflow.

12. (Original) The method of claim 9 wherein:

the page group includes control logic for a graphical user interface.

13. (Original) The method of claim 9 wherein:

the control exposes functionality through a programmatic interface.

14. (Original) The method of claim 9 wherein:

the control can communicate with another control.

15. (Original) The method of claim 9, further comprising:

providing a web browser; and

wherein the web browser is operable to send a request to the page group.

16. (Original) The method of claim 9 wherein:

the control is transactional.

17. (Currently Amended) A machine readable medium having instructions stored thereon that when executed by a processor cause a system to:

provide a workflow;

provide a control operable to invoke the workflow; and

provide a page group operable to invoke the control;

wherein a graphical representation of the control can be put in a graphical canvas to be connected to other controls in a flow of control, the control exposes one or more interfaces to allow access to functionality within the control.

18. (Original) The machine readable medium of claim 17, further comprising instructions that when executed cause the system to:

provide a message broker operable to enable communication between the control and the workflow.

19. (Original) The machine readable medium of claim 17 wherein:

the workflow can invoke another workflow.

20. (Original) The machine readable medium of claim 17 wherein:

the page group includes control logic for a graphical user interface.

21. (Original) The machine readable medium of claim 17 wherein:

the control exposes functionality through a programmatic interface.

22. (Original) The machine readable medium of claim 17 wherein:

the control can communicate with another control.

23. (Original) The machine readable medium of claim 17, further comprising instructions that when executed cause the system to:

provide a web browser; and

wherein the web browser is operable to send a request to the page group.

24. (Original) The machine readable medium of claim 17 wherein:

the control is transactional.

25. (Currently Amended) A system including a software framework for implementing business processes in a web application, comprising:

a workflow;

a control operable to invoke the workflow;

a page group operable to invoke the control; and

a message broker operable to enable communication between the control and the workflow;

wherein a graphical representation of the control can be put in a graphical canvas to be connected to other controls in a flow of control, the control exposes one or more interfaces to allow access to functionality within the control; and

wherein the system includes at least one processor that executes the software framework.

26. (Currently Amended) The software framework system of claim 25 wherein:
the workflow can invoke another workflow.

27. (Currently Amended) The software framework system of claim 25 wherein:
the page group includes control logic for a graphical user interface.

28. (Currently Amended) The software framework system of claim 25 wherein:
the control exposes functionality through a programmatic interface.

29. (Currently Amended) The software framework system of claim 25 wherein:
the control can communicate with another control.

30. (Currently Amended) The software framework system of claim 25, further comprising:
a web browser; and
wherein the web browser is operable to send a request to the page group.

31. (Currently Amended) The software framework system of claim 25 wherein:
the control is transactional.